# **CONFIDENCE**

CLASIFICACIÓN: DRAWINGS SERIE: CAPRICES NOT ENGRAVED



**DATOS GENERALES** CRONOLOGÍA UBICACIÓN

DIMENSIONES
TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE
RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA
TITULAR
FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN
INVENTARIO

Ca. 1797 The Prado National Museum. Madrid, Madrid, Spain

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197 x 141 mm

#### INSCRIPCIONES

Confidence (in pencil, lower right).

Watermark: [Shield with helmet, bird inside, and underneath "D.N J.PH GISBERT / ALCOY"] (lower half)

HISTORIA

The drawing passed by inheritance in 1828 to Javier Goya, the painter's son, and in 1854 to Mariano Goya y Goicoechea, the artist's grandson. It was subsequently owned by Valentín Carderera (ca. 1861) and Mariano Carderera (ca. 1880). In 1886 it was acquired from Mariano Carderera by the General Direction of Public Instruction and was assigned to the Prado Museum, where it entered on 12 November 1886.

#### ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

Goya was always fascinated by amorous relationships between women. In this drawing, two women dressed in lock-suits are engaged in opening or closing locks on each other. Their faces cannot be seen, as they cover their heads with hoods, perhaps in allusion to the furtiveness and prohibition of their relationship.

According to Gassier, this is a theme with a strangely erotic symbolism. In a number of contemporary and later drawings, the painter depicted the woman wearing a kind of armour or dress full of locks, but almost always with a man trying to open them, hence the boldness and modernity of this drawing, which goes much further in its pretensions and is the first and probably the only time Goya treated this theme from this exclusively female perspective and in such an open manner. In fact, this excessive boldness, scandalous for the time, must have been the reason why this drawing, probably preparatory for the Caprices, was never engraved or included in the edition of the Caprices.

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